



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: David C. Challener, et al.

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Examiner: Peter L. Ludwig

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Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR VERIFYING THE IDENTITY OF A
REMOTE METER TRANSMITTING UTILITY USAGE DATA

10 **RESPONSE TO A RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

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Honorable Sir:

20 This document is being filed in response to a restriction requirement mailed
03/07/2007, in which the Examiner said that claims 1-64 were pending but
subject to a restriction and/or election requirement.

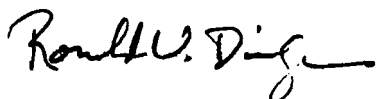
The Examiner further indicated that restriction was required to one of the
following inventions:

- 25 I. Claims 1-15, 35-40, 47-52, and 59-64, drawn to a system for receiving
data, classified in class 705, subclass 79.
- II. Claims 16-34, 41-46, and 53-58, drawn to the transmittance of data
regarding usage of a utility product to a remote location, classified in
class 705, subclass 79.

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The Applicant hereby elects Invention I, claims 1-15, 35-40, 47-52, and 59-64, without traverse.

5 Respectfully submitted,



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